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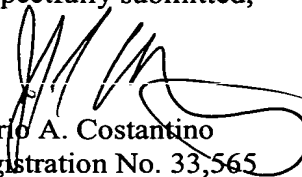
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- ☒ 3. A computer-generated English language translation of one or more Japanese Patent Publication cited herein has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 1.
- ☒ 4. References 25 and 27 of the PTO Form 1449 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on November 30, 2006 were cited incorrectly. The references are cited correctly on the attached PTO Form 1449. Although it is believed that the correct references were submitted with the previous Information Disclosure Statement, copies of the references are attached hereto.



5. We are also enclosing an English-language translation of the relevant parts of Reference 38 of the PTO Form 1449 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on November 30, 2006.

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